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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

SAMO-LIPMAN, CHELSEA

Examiner

Karl D. Frech

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 12 July 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____ |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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1. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter that the applicant regards as his invention.

2. Claim 15 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Applicant claims an "owner" and a "creation date". The examiner fails to see how the current written description of the invention remotely suggest an "owner" or a "creation date" of a constellation. The Stars have been in existence for millions of years and are not "own-able".

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-5,8,9,10,12,14,16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by well-known prior art. Official Notice is taken that the stellar constellation Orion has at least 8 stars visible to the naked human eye and is documented and on star charts. As the specifics of the registry is not positively defined in the claims, "registry" is interpreted to be a listing.

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 6-7,11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over well known prior art as seen above, in view of applicant's admitted prior art. The well-known prior art is described above. The well-known prior art as seen above does not implicitly suggest the transparent or semi-transparent medium as claimed. Applicant admits on page 2 lines 16+ of the current specification that others have used semi-transparent medium to "illuminate" (examiner's words) an image in a starlit sky. It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to use the semi-transparent medium as admitted to by Applicant. This would enable the user of the medium to easily locate stellar bodies. The well-known prior art as seen above does not implicitly suggest depositing the "registry" in the Library of Congress. However, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to deposit a registry in the Library of Congress. This would allow for the registry to be catalogued for future reference by the general public.

5. Claim 13 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over well known prior art as seen above, in view of Lee 5,704,653. Well-known prior art suggest that which is seen above. The well-known prior art relied upon above does not implicitly suggest the use of software to help with mapping and registering stellar bodies. Lee discloses using software in the listing of stellar bodies. It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to use software in the mapping and registering of stellar bodies. This would allow for rapid location of a great many stars or other stellar bodies with the use of PCs.

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6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Alkema 2,755,565, George et al 5,133,050, Liu et al 6,330,998 all disclose stellar location means and methods.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Karl D. Frech whose telephone number is (571) 272-2390. The examiner can normally be reached on maxi-flex.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael G. Lee can be reached on (571) 272-2398. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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